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Structure and Function of Organisms		
SPI#	State Performance Indicator	
4.1.1	Identify the function of specific plant and animal parts.	
4.1.2	Recognize the basic structure of plant and animal cells.	
4.1.3	Identify animal and plant cell structures and function.	
4.3.1	Match the edible parts of plants with particular plant structures.	
4.3.2	Compare how various animals obtain and use food for energy.	
4.3.3	Match the animal with their means of obtaining oxygen.	
Ecology		
SPI#	State Performance Indicator	
4.2.1	Select plants and animals found in a specific environment.	
4.2.2	Recognize how plants and animals interact with each other in their environment.	
4.2.3	Identify ways that organisms affect their environment.	
4.5.1	Match a plant or animal adaptation to a particular environmental condition.	
4.5.2	Compare and contrast groups of organisms according to their major characteristics.	
4.5.3	Match the form of structures found in living things to its function.	
Life Cycles and Biological Change		
SPI#	State Performance Indicator	
4.4.1	Distinguish offspring from the parent.	
4.4.2	Recognize the relationship between reproduction and the survival of a species.	
4.4.3	Select the illustration that depicts the life cycle of a specific organism.	
4.6.1	Match fossil evidence with organisms that are alive today.	
4.6.2	Identify animal and plant populations as thriving, threatened, endangered, or extinct.	
4.6.3	Infer possible causes of extinction.	
Space, Weather, and Climate		
SPI#	State Performance Indicator	
4.7.1	Determine the order of the planets according to their distance from the sun.	
4.7.2	Identify the phases of the moon in the correct sequence.	
4.7.3	Recognize that the length and position of a shadow is related to the location of the sun.	
4.8.1	Identify the cloud type(s) associated with specific weather conditions.	
4.8.2	Choose the appropriate instrument for measuring a given atmospheric condition.	
4.8.3	Identify the basic features of the water cycle.	
Earth's Features and Resources		
SPI#	State Performance Indicator	
4.9.1	Recognize specific geological features.	
4.9.2	Determine how wind and water change the Earth's geological features.	
4.9.3	Identify the layers of the Earth.	
4.10.1	Choose the appropriate use for an earth material.	
4.10.2	Identify the basic characteristics of soil.	
4.10.3	Distinguish between renewable and nonrenewable resources.	
CDI"	Motion and Forces, Forms of Energy	
SPI#	State Performance Indicator	
4.11.1	Select factors that have the greatest effect on the motion of an object.	
4.11.2	Recognize the effects of gravity.	
4.11.3	Recognize simple machines (i.e., inclined plane, lever, pulley)	
4.11.4	Determine how speed affects distance traveled over time.	
4.14.1	Identify different forms of energy.	
4.14.2	Distinguish between the volume and pitch of sound.	
4.14.3	Recognize that various materials conduct heat.	
4.14.4	Select a simple electrical circuit.	

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Matter	
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4.12.1	Select an object according to its observable physical properties.
4.12.2	Identify states of matter.
4.12.3	Determine how various types of matter change state.
4.13.1	Choose features associated with physical changes
4.13.2	Identify characteristics of different types of mixtures.
4.13.3	Determine methods for separating mixtures.